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3rd Annual Governor's International Student Day slated for Friday

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. -- Missouri's capitol city will host more than 375 international students representing 66 countries during the third Annual Governor's International Student Day.

The conference will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, October 5, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City. The event is being held in cooperation with the Missouri Education Committee, which consists of members from the Missouri Departments of Agriculture and Economic Development and members from colleges and universities across the state.

A partial conference schedule is as follows:

• 9:00 a.m. Registration

• 9:30 a.m. Seminar: Employment Opportunities for International Students/Cross Cultural Issues in

Getting a Job in the U.S. (Harry S Truman Building, Rooms 490/492)

• 12 noon - 1 p.m. Luncheon

Welcome remarks by Angela Kinworthy, director, Office of International Marketing Remarks by Lowell Mohler, director, Missouri Department of Agriculture and Joseph L. Driskill, director, Missouri Department of Economic Development

Dr. Manuel T. Pacheco, president, University of Missouri System

International Student of the Year Award Presentation

International Student Speaker: Richa Mishra, William Woods University Keynote Speaker: Shuja Paul, Manager, Business Development, ABB

International students will have an opportunity to tour the state capitol and the Governor's Mansion in the afternoon.

"The state of Missouri considers international students to be 'ambassadors in training,' many of whom may play a role in Missouri's future as they become leading scholars, researchers, government officials and business leaders," said Joseph L. Driskill, Department of Economic Development director. "It is these future leaders that will help further globalize Missouri and cultivate new business alliances in the 21st century."

These future leaders are presently students at higher educational institutions across Missouri, including Central Methodist College; Central Missouri State University; Crowder College; Hannibal-LaGrange College; Harris-Stowe College; Lincoln University; Logan College of Chiropractics; Maryville University; Mineral Area Community College; Missouri Southern State College; Northwest Missouri State University; Southwest Missouri State University - West Plains; St. Louis Community College - Meramec; St. Louis Community College-Forest Park; University of Missouri-Columbia, Kansas City, Rolla and St. Louis; Webster University; Westminster College; William Jewell College; and William Woods University.

The conference is sponsored by Lawrence & Associates Inc., St. Louis; Unigraphic Solutions, St. Louis; Tracker Marine, Springfield; and the Hawthorn Foundation.

[Editor's Note: For a radio actuality regarding the 3rd Annual International Student Day, call 1-800-298-5229.]